

State Proficiency Performance Summary

State: INDIANA

Grade: 8

Purpose
This report provides the number and percent of students in each performance category.



Test Date: 09/15/08

	English/ language arts Pass +	English/ language arts Pass	English/ language arts Did Not Pass	English/ language arts Undetermined	Mathematics TOTALS
Mathematics Pass +	3165 Students Pass + in E/la and Math 4%	11098 Students Pass in E/la and Pass + in Math 14%	188 Students Did Not Pass in E/la and Pass + in Math 0%	20 Students Undetermined in E/la and Pass + in Math 0%	14471 Students Pass + in Math 18%
Mathematics Pass	992 Students Pass + in E/la and Pass in Math 1%	34454 Students Pass in E/la and Math 43%	9426 Students Did Not Pass in E/la and Pass in Math 12%	115 Students Undetermined in E/la and Pass in Math 0%	44987 Students Pass in Math 56%
Mathematics Did Not Pass	1 Student Pass + in E/la and Did Not Pass in Math 0%	4220 Students Pass in E/la and Did Not Pass in Math 5%	15380 Students Did Not Pass in E/la and Math 19%	282 Students Undetermined in E/la and Did Not Pass in Math 0%	19883 Students Did Not Pass in Math 25%
Mathematics Undetermined	4 Students Pass + in E/la and Undetermined in Math 0%	89 Students Pass in E/la and Undetermined in Math 0%	210 Students Did Not Pass in E/la and Undetermined in Math 0%	211 Students Undetermined in E/la and Math 0%	514 Students Undetermined in Math 1%
English/ language arts TOTALS	4162 Students Pass + in E/la 5%	49861 Students Pass in E/la 62%	25204 Students Did Not Pass in E/la 32%	628 Students Undetermined in E/la 1%	Summary of Student Counts Total Grade Count 79855 Students with Complete Tests 78924 Students with Undetermined Scores E/la Only 417 Math Only 303 Both 211

Summary of Scores	E/la		English/language arts			Mathematics		
			Pass +	Pass	Did Not Pass	Pass +	Pass	Did Not Pass
Mean Scale Score	535.3	560.1	MSS: 632.9	MSS: 555.3	MSS: 479.7	MSS: 665.2	MSS: 571.9	MSS: 456.8
Pass Cut Score	516	517	SD: 22.8	SD: 24.6	SD: 33.3	SD: 34.4	SD: 30.7	SD: 57.7
Pass + Cut Score	611	629	L/H Obt: 611-770	L/H Obt: 516-610	L/H Obt: 175-515	L/H/Obt: 629-870	L/H/Obt: 517-628	L/H/Obt: 260-516
Standard Deviation	50.0	79.7	L/H Range: 611-770	L/H Range: 516-610	L/H Range: 175-515	L/H Range: 629-870	L/H Range: 517-628	L/H Range: 260-516
Lowest/Highest Scale Score Obtained	175-770	260-870	4162 Students	49861 Students	25204 Students	14471 Students	44987 Students	19883 Students
Lowest/Highest Scale Score Possible	175-770	260-870	Pass +	Pass	Did Not Pass	Pass +	Pass	Did Not Pass

MSS: Mean Scale Score SD: Standard Deviation L/H Obt: Lowest/Highest Scale Score Obtained L/H Range: Lowest/Highest Scale Score Range of Proficiency Level
Subtotal numbers are rounded within each category. Adding subtotals may not result in exactly 100%.

A Message from Dr. Suellen Reed

Dear Teachers and Administrators,

The *ISTEP* + assessment is one of the best tools available to us in our continued efforts to improve the education of Indiana's students. The reports which are distributed to teachers, principals, and corporation offices can be used to help identify students' strengths and weaknesses, and to measure their mastery of the Indiana Academic Standards. These results help the educational professionals determine how effectively their students are making progress toward meeting the high school graduation requirements.

The individual student reports provide information that helps parents understand their child's academic performance. The class, school, and corporation summary reports give teachers and administrators data that can help them evaluate their students' achievement and identify educational areas that may need emphasis. We thank you for your professional commitment to the improved education of our youth, and we encourage your continued support of the *ISTEP* + assessment.

Sincerely,



Suellen Reed
Superintendent of Public Instruction

INDIANA ACADEMIC STANDARDS (CRITERION-REFERENCED INFORMATION)

Criterion-referenced Test: A test that reports students' scores relative to a body of information thought to be important to learn (see Indiana Academic Standards).

Indiana Academic Standards: The Indiana Academic Standards define three categories of student achievement in English/language arts and mathematics (Pass +, Pass, and Did Not Pass). These levels were defined by the State Board of Education as follows:

Pass +	Meets the passing standard and demonstrates high achievement in the knowledge and skills of the content area.
Pass	Meets the passing standard.
Did Not Pass	Fails to meet the passing standard and in all likelihood will need remedial assistance.

Indiana Scale Score: Student achievement levels relative to the Indiana Academic Standards are reported by *ISTEP* + as scale scores in English/language arts and mathematics. These three-digit, equal-interval scores are expressed on unique scales by content area.

Indiana Performance Index (IPI) Score: A measure of a student's mastery of the skills tested in a specific content area as defined by the Indiana Academic Standards.

SUMMARY INFORMATION

Mean: Perhaps the most often used "average," the mean is the arithmetic average of a group of scores. It is calculated by adding the scores and dividing the sum by the number of scores.

Median: The median is another often used "average." It is defined as the score below which half of the cases fall.

Mean Scale Score: The arithmetic average of the scale scores obtained by a group of students.

Standard Deviation (SD): A statistic that indicates the amount of variability in a group of scores. When scores are normally distributed (i.e., when they are part of a bell-shaped, "normal" curve), about two-thirds of the scores are within one SD above and below the average (mean) score and about 95% of the scores are within 2 SDs of the mean. In almost any shaped distribution, all scores will be within 5 SDs above or below the mean score.

